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ANNUAL REPORTS
of the
Town of Mason
New Hampshire



For the Year Ending
January 31, 1920

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen and Treasurer

OF THE

Town of Mason

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF

ROAD AGENTS, SCHOOL BOARD AND OTHER OFFI-
CERS OF THE TOWN AND SCHOOL DISTRICT

FOR THE

Financial Year Ending January 31, 1920

ALSO VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1919

MANCHESTER, N. H.

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Town Officers

Moderator.

ALBERT B. EATON.

Clerk and Treasurer.

CHARLES G. AMSDEN and NELLIE F. AMSDEN
(to fill out term of Charles G. Amsden)

Selectmen

EDGAR S. KENNEDY.

STANLEY A. FLAGG.

JOHN T. SMITH.

Tax Collector.

ALBERT B. EATON.

Auditor.

FRED W. HILL.

Highway Agents.

ALEXANDER McLEAN GUY F. WASHBURN
CHARLES L. BARNES.

Supervisors of Checklist.

FRED W. HILL. CHARLES R. FARWELL.
JAMES O. REED.

Health Officer.

EDGAR S. KENNEDY.

Library Trustees.

TRACY EATON, HARRIETT WHITAKER,
ALEXANDER McLEAN

Trustees of the Boynton School Fund.

EVERETT H. WHITAKER. HERMAN WHITAKER.
ALEXANDER McLEAN. JAMES O. REED.

Trustees of the Stearns' Common School Bequest.

JOHN T. SMITH. ALBERT B. EATON.
JAMES O. REED.

Trustees of Cemeteries.

ALBERT B. EATON. ALEXANDER McLEAN
STANLEY A. FLAGG.

School District Clerk and Treasurer.

CHARLES G. AMSDEN and NELLIE F. AMSDEN
(to fill out term)

Ballot Clerks.

JASON RUSSELL. FRANK B. FARWELL.
SAMUEL DAVIS FRED W. HILL

Constable.

STANLEY A. FLAGG.

Police.

JAMES W. WHARFF. ROBERT S. GAILEY.
WALDO B. NEWELL.

Fire Wardens.

JOHN T. SMITH. GEORGE C. ARNOLD.
STANLEY A. FLAGG. JAMES O. REED.

Librarian.

NELLIE F. AMSDEN.

Janitor.

JAMES W. WHARFF.

Town Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

[SEAL]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mason in the County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Mason on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To choose one trustee of Boynton Common School Fund.
4. To choose one trustee of the Stearns Common Bequest.
5. To choose one trustee of cemeteries for three years.
6. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for library purposes.
7. To choose one trustee for the Mason free library .
8. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for repairs of highways and bridges.
9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for care of cemeteries.
10. To see if the town will vote to make any discount on taxes if paid on or before Saturday, June 5, 1920.
11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial purposes.

12. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the state law necessary to receive the benefit of State Aid for permanent improvements of highways.

13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for winter roads.

14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Old Home Day celebration.

15. To see if the town will vote to co-operate with the state in the control of the white pine blister rust, and raise and appropriate for the same.

EDGAR S. KENNEDY,
STANLEY A. FLAGG,
JOHN T. SMITH,

Selectmen of Mason.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1919.

| | |
|--|--------------|
| Land and buildings | \$297,815.00 |
| 81 horses | 8,980.00 |
| 1 mule | 75.00 |
| 140 cows | 11,315.00 |
| 19 neat | 1,240.00 |
| 2 hogs | 70.00 |
| 90 fowls | 90.00 |
| 15 vehicles | 3,775.00 |
| Wood and lumber, not stock in trade..... | 19,150.00 |
| Money on hand and at interest | 4,379 |
| Stock in trade | 500.00 |
| Mills and machinery | 1,050.00 |

Total\$349,439.00

Soldiers' exemptions (not included in above).... \$3,970.00

Polls, 85.

Taxes, \$6,790.95.

Tax rate, \$1.90.

APPROPRIATIONS.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| State tax | \$1,314.00 |
| Special state tax | 292.00 |
| County tax | 566.54 |
| Town charges | 800.00 |
| Library | 40.00 |
| Highways | 1,000.00 |
| Cemeteries | 35.00 |
| Russell appropriation | 125.00 |
| Memorial | 35.00 |
| State Aid highway construction..... | 520.50 |
| State Aid maintenance | 125.00 |

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Schools, required by law..... | \$1,230.83 |
| Schools, above law | 500.00 |
| Superintendent of schools | 78.00 |
| Overlay | 129.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$6,790.95 |

ASSETS.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Cash on hand, January 31, 1920..... | \$261.09 |
| Due from A. B. Eaton, collector, 1919..... | 698.79 |
| Due from state, bounties..... | 15.00 |
| Liberty bond | 500.00 |
| Due from state on expenses, 1919, maintenance.. | 17.30 |
| Cash in state treasurer, State aid maintenance... | 95.26 |
| Due from E. C. Melvin | 2.25 |
| Due from James W. Wharff | 3.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,592.69 |
| Excess of liabilities | 312.39 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,805.08 |

LIABILITIES.

| | |
|--|------------|
| Soldiers' monument | \$100.00 |
| Old pound appropriation | 10.00 |
| North cemetery appropriation | 80.00 |
| Horse Shed repair fund | 28.63 |
| Old Home Day appropriation | 15.00 |
| Repairs for hearse, appropriation..... | 30.00 |
| Common improvement | 50.00 |
| Due school board | 700.94 |
| Note at Townsend National Bank..... | 600.00 |
| State aid maintenance | 95.25 |
| State aid maintenance in state treasury..... | 95.26 |
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| | \$1,805.08 |

RECEIPTS.

Current Revenue.

From local taxes:

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|---|------------|
| Property and poll taxes, current year..... | \$5,852.89 |
| Property and poll taxes, previous year..... | 759.07 |

From state:

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Railroad tax | \$273.75 |
| Savings bank tax | 237.18 |
| For state highway | 729.99 |

From local sources, except taxes:

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|--|--------|
| Interest on Liberty bonds | 21.25 |
| Bounty on hedgehogs | 5.20 |
| Rent of hall | 26.70 |
| Dog tax | 82.80 |
| Stearns' Common School Bequest | 471.25 |
| Boynton Common School Fund | 430.28 |
| Jason Russell, gift for road..... | 75.00 |
| Albert D. Flagg estate | 25.00 |
| State treasurer, forest fires | 58.71 |
| Motor vehicle permits | 16.62 |
| Town note at Townsend National Bank..... | 600.00 |

\$9,665.69

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES.

After settlement, 1919.

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| E. S. Kennedy | \$21.00 |
| Stanley A. Flagg | 19.50 |
| John T. Smith | 21.00 |

\$61.50

1919 TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES.

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| E. S. Kennedy | \$85.50 |
| Stanley A. Flagg | 68.00 |
| John T. Smith | 69.00 |
| Charles G. Amsden, clerk..... | 20.00 |
| Nellie F. Amsden, clerk | 20.00 |
| Nellie F. Amsden, treasurer..... | 30.00 |
| Albert B. Eaton, tax collector..... | 100.00 |
| Albert B. Eaton, moderator | 3.00 |

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|---|---------|----------|
| Nellie F. Amsden, librarian | \$25.00 | |
| Fred W. Hill, auditor | 2.50 | |
| Charles R. Farwell, supervisor check- list | 3.00 | |
| Herman Whitaker, trustee Boynton fund | 4.00 | |
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| | | \$430.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$491.50 |

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES.

| | |
|---|----------|
| E. S. Kennedy, expense to Manchester..... | \$7.11 |
| Stanley A. Flagg, expense to Manchester | 7.11 |
| Albert B. Eaton, expense to Manchester..... | 11.00 |
| John T. Smith, team | 5.24 |
| E. S. Kennedy, postage | 6.19 |
| Stanley A. Flagg, team | 4.35 |
| Albert B. Eaton, tax book and stamps..... | 7.90 |
| J. B. Clarke Co., reports | 57.35 |
| James P. Melzer, stationery | 4.05 |
| C. G. Amsden, copying invoice..... | 5.00 |
| E. S. Kennedy, telephone | .85 |
| E. S. Kennedy, team | 9.57 |
| Albert B. Eaton, clerical work | 12.00 |
| Nellie F. Amsden, telephone and postage..... | .50 |
| E. S. Kennedy, supplies | .48 |
| Albert B. Eaton, assessors' meeting..... | 10.96 |
| Nellie F. Amsden, motor licenses | 2.50 |
| Charles G. Amsden, postage and telephone..... | 1.00 |
| Charles G. Amsden, receipt book | 1.50 |
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| | \$154.66 |

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

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|--------------------------|--------|
| Charles R. Farwell | \$5.50 |
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GENERAL EXPENSES OF DEPARTMENT.

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|---|---------|
| Fred Whitaker, picks and shovels..... | \$7.40 |
| Fred Whitaker, tools | 3.30 |
| Thomas Walsh, repairs on scraper | 13.75 |
| Lizzie G. Kimball, watering trough maintenance. | 3.00 |
| A. J. Pelletier, refreshments for reception to service boys | 7.29 |
| Dr. H. B. Boynton, returning births..... | .50 |
| Fitchburg Hardware Co., sand screen..... | 8.00 |
| Transcript Printing Co., printing notices..... | 1.50 |
| Dr. B. D. Pease, returning births and deaths.... | .50 |
| J. C. Taft, insurance on town house..... | 49.50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$94.74 |

CARE OF TOWN HALL.

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Charles G. Amsden | \$4.00 |
| James W. Wharff | 20.83 |

SUPPLIES FOR TOWN HALL.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| James W. Wharff | 10.05 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$34.88 |

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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|------------------------------------|---------|
| James W. Wharff, police duty | \$17.00 |
| Stanley A. Flagg, constable | 5.00 |
| Waldo B. Newell, police duty | 5.00 |
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| | \$27.00 |

HIGHWAYS.

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Guy F. Washburn | \$247.66 |
| Charles L. Barnes | 280.97 |
| Alexander McLean | 390.97 |
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| | \$919.60 |

ROAD AGENTS' ACCOUNT.

ALEXANDER McLEAN.

May Account.

| | |
|---|---------|
| Geo. C. Arnold, man and team, 8 hours at 75c... | \$6.00 |
| Geo. C. Arnold, 25½ hours at 33c..... | 8.42 |
| Elmer Robbins, 1 day | 3.00 |
| Elmer Melvin, 1 day | 3.00 |
| E. H. Russell, man and team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| A. McLean, 1 day | 3.60 |
| H. S. Farrar, tile pipe | 16.80 |
| John Kivimaki, 2 days at \$3 | 6.00 |
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| | \$53.82 |

June Account.

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|---|----------|
| John Kivimaki, 19 days at \$3..... | \$57.00 |
| M. Mahaney, 8 days at \$3..... | 24.00 |
| Fred Brown, man and team, 2½ days at \$7..... | 17.50 |
| E. H. Russell, 15 days at \$7 | 105.00 |
| A. McLean, 5 days at \$3.60..... | 18.00 |
| T. A. Eaton, 2½ days at \$3..... | 7.50 |
| A. B. Eaton, 1 day | 3.00 |
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| | \$232.00 |

September Account.

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|------------------------------------|---------|
| John Kivimaki, 5½ days at \$3..... | \$16.50 |
| A. McLean, ½ day at \$3.60..... | 1.80 |

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| E. H. Russell, man and team, 3 days at \$7..... | \$21.00 |
| Sharpening tools | .35 |
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| | \$39.65 |

November Account.

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|-------------------------------------|---------|
| A. McLean, man and team, 1 day..... | \$7.00 |
| Kosto Orkbomur, 1 day | 3.00 |
| A. McLean, 3 hours | 1.20 |
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| | \$11.20 |

December Account.

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| A. McLean, 7½ hours at 40c..... | \$3.00 |
| A. McLean, man and team, ½ day at \$7..... | 3.50 |
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| | \$6.50 |

April Account.

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|---|---------|
| E. C. Melvin, 5 days at \$3..... | \$15.00 |
| John Kivimaki, 4 days at \$3..... | 12.00 |
| Elmer Robbins, 1 day | 3.00 |
| A. McLean, 3 days at \$3.60..... | 10.80 |
| E. H. Russell, man and team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
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| | \$47.80 |

GUY F. WASHBURN.

April Account.

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|---|--------|
| Guy F. Washburn, 2 hours at 33⅓c. | \$0.67 |
| Guy F. Washburn, 5½ hours at 33⅓c. | 1.83 |
| J. W. Wharff, 5½ hours at 33⅓c. | 1.83 |
| G. F. Washburn, 5½ hours at 20c. | 1.10 |
| G. F. Washburn, 4 hours at 33⅓c. | 1.33 |
| J. W. Wharff, 4 hours at 33⅓c. | 1.33 |

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| G. F. Washburn, 4 hours at 20c. | \$0.80 |
| J. O. Reed, man and team, 4 hours at \$7 per day | 3.12 |
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| | \$12.01 |

May Account.

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|---|--------|
| J. W. Wharff, 8 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | \$2.67 |
| J. W. Wharff, 8 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 2.67 |
| J. W. Wharff, 2 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | .67 |
| S. A. Flagg, 2 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | .67 |
| G. F. Washburn, 4 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 1.33 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 6 hours at \$7.00..... | 4.67 |
| G. C. Blanch, with team, 6 hours at \$7..... | 4.67 |
| G. F. Washburn, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 2.50 |
| J. W. Wharff, 9 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 3.00 |
| S. A. Flagg, 9 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 3.00 |
| J. T. Smith, 9 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 3.00 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. C. Blanche, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day | 3.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 9 hours, at 20c. | 1.80 |
| Elmer Melvin, 1 day | 3.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 2.50 |
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| J. T. Smith, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| S. A. Flagg, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. C. Blanch, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. C. Blanch, with team, 1 day..... | 7.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| E. C. Melvin, 1 day..... | 3.00 |

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|--------------------------|----------|
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day..... | \$3.00 |
| S. A. Flagg, 1 day | 3.00 |
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| | \$118.15 |

June Account.

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|---|---------|
| Guy Washburn, tools | \$4.30 |
| George Blanch | 2.00 |
| Elbridge Farrar | 1.50 |
| J. O. Reed, man and team, 3 days at \$7..... | 21.00 |
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| Fred Creighton, 6 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 2.00 |
| A. Farwell, 1 day | 3.00 |
| S. A. Flagg, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, 4 days at \$3..... | 12.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, with horse, 4 hours..... | 4.00 |
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| | \$55.80 |

July Account.

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|---|---------|
| G. F. Washburn, 3 days, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at \$3..... | \$11.16 |
| G. F. Washburn, with horse, 4 hours at 20c. | .80 |
| J. W. Wharff, 2 days, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours at \$3..... | 7.83 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19.75 |

August Account.

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| J. W. Wharff, 1 day, 5 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | \$4.67 |
| G. F. Washburn, 2 days, 6 hours at 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ c. | 8.00 |
| G. F. Washburn, with horse, 2 days, 6 hours, at 20c. | 4.80 |
| J. W. Wharff, 1 day | 3.00 |
| Guy F. Washburn, 1 day, 4 hours at \$3..... | 4.33 |
| Guy F. Washburn with horse, 1 day..... | 1.00 |
| J. O. Reed, with team, 1 day, 4 hours, at \$7..... | 10.11 |
| A. Farwell, 2 days at \$3..... | 6.00 |
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| | \$41.91 |

CHARLES L. BARNES.

April Account.

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|---|---------|
| 375 feet bridge plank..... | \$15.00 |
| Freight on plank | 2.29 |
| Spikes | .15 |
| C. L. Barnes with team, $\frac{1}{2}$ day at \$6..... | 3.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, labor, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
| R. S. Gailey, labor, 1 day..... | 3.00 |
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| | \$26.44 |

May Account.

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|--|----------|
| J. B. Tarbell, labor, 2 days at \$3..... | \$6.00 |
| R. S. Gailey, labor, 6 days at \$3..... | 18.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, with team, 4 days at \$7..... | 28.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, team getting scraper | 2.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, one horse 3 days at \$1..... | 3.00 |
| John Beck, team on scraper, 4 days at \$7..... | 28.00 |
| Charles Beck, labor, 3 days at \$3..... | 9.00 |
| J. T. Smith, labor, 4 days at \$3..... | 12.00 |
| Emerson Smith, 3 days at \$3..... | 9.00 |
| John Robichaud, 2 days at \$3..... | 6.00 |
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| | \$121.00 |

June Account.

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|---|--------|
| C. L. Barnes, $\frac{1}{3}$ day at \$3..... | \$1.00 |
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July Account.

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| Charles Tarbell, $\frac{1}{2}$ day at \$3..... | \$1.50 |
| James Tarbell, $\frac{1}{2}$ day at \$3..... | 1.50 |
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| | \$3.00 |

August Account.

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|--|---------|
| Charles Tarbell, 4 days, 5 hours at \$3..... | \$13.67 |
| J. B. Tarbell, 3 days, 11½ hours at \$3..... | 9.49 |
| Ernest Barnes, ½ day at \$2.50..... | 1.25 |
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| | \$24.41 |

September Account.

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| W. Jackson, 15 hours at 17½c. | \$2.62 |
| R. S. Gailey, with team at \$7..... | 21.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, labor, 3 days at \$3..... | 9.00 |
| Charles Tarbell, labor, 2 days at \$3..... | 6.00 |
| H. Forbes, moving tree..... | .50 |
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| | \$39.12 |

October Account.

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|--|---------|
| C. L. Barnes, labor, 2 days at \$3..... | \$6.00 |
| C. L. Barnes, with team, 21½ days, at \$7..... | 17.50 |
| R. S. Gailey, with team, 21½ days at \$7..... | 17.50 |
| R. S. Gailey, labor, 2 days at \$3..... | 6.00 |
| H. Foster, labor, 5 days at \$3..... | 15.00 |
| Stanley Flagg, ½ day at \$3..... | 1.50 |
| J. T. Smith, ½ day at \$3..... | 1.50 |
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| | \$65.00 |

STATE AID MAINTENANCE.

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Charles L. Barnes | \$47.05 |
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TRUNK ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Fred Whitaker | \$2,062.93 |
| E. S. Kennedy | 219.53 |
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| | \$2,282.46 |

RUSSELL APPROPRIATION.

| | |
|-------------------|----------|
| S. A. Flagg | \$200.00 |
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WINTER ROADS.

1918.

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|----------------------|---------|
| E. C. Melvin | \$12.00 |
| Lewis Whitaker | 10.00 |
| A. B. Eaton | 5.20 |
| John Beck | 6.00 |

1919.

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|-------------------------|-------|
| Charles L. Barnes | 90.50 |
| Alexander McLean | 34.00 |
| Eugene Marceau | 48.50 |

 \$206.20

REPAIRS ON TOWN HOUSE.

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|--|---------|
| E. S. Kennedy, labor | \$98.00 |
| E. S. Kennedy, repairs | 6.50 |
| Stanley A. Flagg, labor | 75.00 |
| J. W. Wharff, labor | 24.00 |
| Guy Washburn, labor | 12.00 |
| John T. Smith, labor | 8.00 |
| H. S. Farrar, supplies | 11.75 |
| A. Boutell, glass | 2.28 |
| O. D. Prescott, paint, glass and hardware..... | 29.35 |
| J. W. Wharff, supplies | 1.90 |

 \$268.78

TOWN POOR.

| | |
|---|---------|
| Ulric Godin, John Mathews' burial..... | \$11.00 |
| Lucius Elliott, care of Albert Flagg..... | 72.00 |
| Richard Ely, medical services..... | 31.50 |

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| Henry S. Farrar, funeral expense for A. Flagg.. | \$66.00 |
| A. B. Eaton, burial, A. Flagg..... | 10.00 |
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| | \$190.50 |

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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|---------------------|----------|
| John T. Smith | \$125.62 |
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REPORT OF FIRE WARDEN.

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Received from town..... | \$125.62 |
| Paid out | 125.62 |

JOHN T. SMITH,

Fire Warden.

BOUNTIES.

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Paid out for bounties | \$15.00 |
|-----------------------------|---------|

HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| E. S. Kennedy | \$7.55 |
|---------------------|--------|

VITAL STATISTICS.

| | |
|------------------------|--------|
| Nellie F. Amsden | \$2.70 |
|------------------------|--------|

EDUCATION.

| | |
|------------------------|------------|
| Charles G. Amsden..... | \$1,700.00 |
| Nellie F. Amsden | 900.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,600.00 |

LIBRARY APPROPRIATION.

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Nellie F. Amsden..... | \$40.00 |
| Overdrawn | 3.25 |
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| | \$43.25 |

MEMORIAL APPROPRIATION.

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Elery F. Reed | \$35.00 |
|---------------------|---------|

CEMETERY APPROPRIATION.

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Albert B. Eaton | \$35.00 |
|-----------------------|---------|

REFUND ON TAXES.

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Ernest R. Kimball | \$1.83 |
| Frank B. Farwell..... | 1.43 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3.26 |

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

| | |
|-------------------------|------------|
| State tax | \$1,314.00 |
| Special state tax | 292.00 |
| County tax | 566.54 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,172.54 |

PAYMENTS.

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|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Total payments for all purposes..... | \$9,451.86 |
| Cash on hand at end of year..... | 761.09 |
| | <hr/> |
| Grand total | \$9,612.95 |

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR S. KENNEDY,
STANLEY A. FLAGG,
JOHN T. SMITH,

Selectmen of Mason.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

For the year ending January 31, 1920.

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| To balance in treasury January 31, 1919..... | \$458.69 |
| Received of— | |
| Selectmen | 1,558.47 |
| Herman Whitaker, treasurer of the Boynton Common School Fund | 429.78 |
| A. B. Eaton, treasurer of the Stearns' Common School Fund Bequest | 471.25 |
| A. B. Eaton, tax collector, 1917..... | 202.20 |
| A. B. Eaton, tax collector, 1918..... | 556.87 |
| A. B. Eaton, tax collector, 1919..... | 3,852.89 |
| | <u>12.30</u> |
| | \$9,612.95 |
| By paid on 149 orders drawn by selectmen..... | \$9,451.86 |
| By cash in treasury January 31, 1920..... | 161.09 |
| | <u>\$9,612.95</u> |

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE F. AMSDEN,

Treasurer.

Having examined the accounts of town treasurer, selectmen and tax collector, I find them to be correctly cast and with proper vouchers.

F. W. HILL,

Auditor.

MASON, N. H., February 11, 1920.

ACCOUNT OF DOG LICENSES.

For year ending January 31, 1920.

Dr.

| | |
|--|---------|
| To cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1919..... | \$77.40 |
|--|---------|

| | |
|--|----------|
| To received for 30 male dogs at \$2 each..... | \$60.00 |
| To received for 6 female dogs at \$5 each..... | 30.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$167.40 |

Cr.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Paid district treasurer for schools | \$77.40 |
| town clerk on 36 dogs at 20c each... .. | 7.20 |
| Cash in treasury Jan. 31, 1920..... | 82.80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$167.40 |

Respectfully submitted,
 NELLIE F. AMSDEN,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MASON FREE LIBRARY.

| | |
|---|---------|
| Cash on hand February 1, 1919..... | \$2.92 |
| Received from town | 43.25 |
| sale of papers | .25 |
| finer | 1.45 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$47.87 |
| Paid for books | \$25.50 |
| Magazine | 3.00 |
| E. S. Kennedy, labor and supplies | 13.25 |
| For record book | 1.85 |
| library slips | 1.58 |
| express and postage | 2.22 |
| Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1920..... | .47 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$47.87 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|----|
| Books purchased of E. Merriam..... | 22 |
| given by Professor Cumnock..... | 2 |
| given by Mrs. A. E. Winship..... | 90 |
| Number of magazines purchased..... | 1 |

Respectfully submitted,

TRACY A. EATON,
ALEXANDER McLEAN,
HARRIET E. WHITAKER,

Library Trustees.

NELLIE F. AMSDEN,

Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOYNTON COMMON SCHOOL FUND.

The fund of \$10,000 is invested as follows:

4 \$1,000 5% New England Power Co. bonds.

4 \$1,000 5% Grafton Co. bonds.

2 \$1,000 4½% Liberty bonds.

\$490 in Manchester Savings bank.

Amount of interest received and paid town treasurer, \$430.28.

HERMAN WHITAKER,

Treasurer.

EVERETT H. WHITAKER,
HERMAN WHITAKER,
ALEXANDER McLEAN,
TRACY A. EATON,
JAMES O. REED,

Trustees.

Mason, N. H., Jan. 31, 1920.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE STEARNS COMMON SCHOOL BEQUEST.

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1920.

Income Received.

| | |
|--|----------|
| Interest U. S. Liberty bonds..... | \$21.25 |
| Laconia Gas and Electric bonds..... | 300.00 |
| Keene Gas and Electric bonds..... | 100.00 |
| Ashuelot Gas and Electric bonds..... | 50.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total receipts for support of schools..... | \$471.25 |

Payments.

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Paid town treasurer | \$471.25 |
|---------------------------|----------|

Other Receipts.

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Ernest Bernier on mortgage..... | \$25.00 |
|---------------------------------|---------|

Other Payments.

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Paid on Liberty bond..... | \$25.00 |
|---------------------------|---------|

The Bequest is invested as follows:

| | |
|--|------------|
| Laconia Gas & Electric bonds..... | \$6,000.00 |
| Keene Gas & Electric bonds..... | 2,000.00 |
| Ashuelot Gas & Electric bonds..... | 1,000.00 |
| Manchester Savings bank..... | 48.50 |
| U. S. Liberty bonds..... | 580.00 |
| Mortgage on real estate in Greenville..... | 425.00 |

\$10,053.50

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT B. EATON,

Treasurer.

JOHN T. SMITH,

JAMES O. REED,

ALBERT B. EATON,

Trustees.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES.

For the year ending January 31, 1920.

Receipts.

| | |
|--|---------|
| Balance in treasury Jan. 31, 1919..... | \$13.34 |
| Town appropriation | 35.00 |
| Interest on U. S. Liberty bonds | 12.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total receipts | \$60.34 |

Payments.

| | |
|---|---------|
| Stanley A. Flagg, labor | \$2.00 |
| James F. March, labor | 4.50 |
| James W. Wharff, labor | 11.00 |
| C. G. Amsden, labor | 2.00 |
| A. B. Eaton, labor | 16.00 |
| A. B. Eaton, labor on Eaton and Adams lots | 8.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total payments | 43.50 |
| <hr/> | |
| Balance in treasury | \$16.84 |

PERPETUAL CARE FUND.

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Dunster Fund | \$100.00 |
| Viron Eaton Fund | 100.00 |
| William A. Adams Fund | 100.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| \$300.00 | |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Invested in U. S. Liberty bonds..... | \$300.00 |
| In Mason Village Savings bank..... | 5.41 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$305.41 |

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT B. EATON,

Treasurer.

ALBERT B. EATON,

STANLEY A. FLAGG,

ALEXANDER McLEAN,

Trustees.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF
Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year,
Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous

| SOURCES OF REVENUE. | Actual revenue previous year, 1919. | Estimated revenue ensuing year, 1920. | Increase. | Decrease. |
|--|--|--|-----------|-----------|
| <i>From State:</i> | | | | |
| Insurance tax | \$665.40 | \$523.20 | ..... | ..... |
| Railroad tax | 273.75 | 273.75 | ..... | ..... |
| Savings Bank tax | 237.18 | 237.18 | ..... | ..... |
| For fighting forest fires..... | 58.71 | 32.00 | ..... | \$26.71 |
| For Highways— | | | | |
| (a) For State Aid maintenance. .... | ..... | 250.00 | \$250.00 | ..... |
| (b) For bounties | 5.20 | 30.00 | 24.80 | ..... |
| <i>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</i> | | | | |
| All licenses and permits except dog licenses | 16.62 | 20.00 | 3.38 | ..... |
| Rent of Town hall and other build- ings | 26.70 | 50.00 | 23.30 | ..... |
| Interest received on taxes and de- posits | 21.25 | 21.25 | ..... | ..... |
| Income of Departments: | | | | |
| Highways—Russell appropriation | 75.00 | ..... | ..... | 75.00 |
| Albert D. Flagg estate | 25.00 | ..... | ..... | 25.00 |
| <i>From Poll Taxes:</i> | | | | |
| 85 polls | 255.00 | 400.00 | 145.00 | ..... |
| <i>Revenue Applicable Only to New Con- struction and Improvements:</i> | | | | |
| From State— | | | | |
| (a) For State Aid highway con- struction | 729.99 | 313.80 | ..... | 416.19 |
| <i>Amount raised by issue of Bonds or Notes:</i> | | | | |
| Note at Townsend Bank..... | 600.00 | 500.00 | ..... | 100.00 |
| <i>Revenue which must be Paid to Other Governmental Divisions:</i> | | | | |
| For School— | | | | |
| Stearns' Bequest | 471.25 | 471.25 | ..... | ..... |
| Boynton Fund | 430.28 | 530.00 | 100.00 | ..... |
| Dog license | 82.80 | 82.80 | ..... | ..... |
| Total revenues from all sources except property taxes | \$3,308.73 | \$3,212.03 | \$646.48 | \$642.90 |
| Amount raised by property taxes.... | 6,535.95 | 7,800.00 | ..... | ..... |
| Total revenues | \$9,844.68 | \$11,012.03 | ..... | ..... |

MASON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

January 31, 1920 to January 31, 1921, compared with Actual
Year January 31, 1919 to January 31, 1920.

| PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES. | Actual ex- penditures previous year, 1919. | Estimated ex- penditures. ensuing year, 1920. | Increase. | Decrease. |
|--|--|---|------------|------------|
| <i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i> | | | | |
| General Government— | | | | |
| Town officers' salaries | \$491.50 | \$500.00 | \$9.50 | ..... |
| Town officers' expenses | 154.66 | 154.66 | ..... | ..... |
| Election and registration expenses | 5.50 | 70.00 | 64.50 | ..... |
| Refund on taxes | 3.26 | ..... | ..... | \$3.26 |
| Care and supplies for Town hall | 303.66 | 75.00 | ..... | 228.66 |
| Protection of Property— | | | | |
| Bounties | 15.00 | 15.00 | ..... | ..... |
| Police department | 27.00 | 27.00 | ..... | ..... |
| Fire department | 125.62 | 50.00 | ..... | 75.62 |
| General expenditures | 94.74 | 100.00 | 5.26 | ..... |
| Health— | | | | |
| Health department | 7.55 | 7.55 | ..... | ..... |
| Vital statistics | 2.70 | 3.00 | .30 | ..... |
| Highways and Bridges— | | | | |
| State Aid maintenance: | | | | |
| Town's contribution | 47.05 | 249.00 | 201.95 | ..... |
| Town maintenance: | | | | |
| Winter roads | 206.20 | 500.00 | 293.80 | ..... |
| Russell appropriation | 200.00 | ..... | ..... | 200.00 |
| Education— | | | | |
| Libraries | 43.25 | 43.25 | ..... | ..... |
| Charities— | | | | |
| Town poor | 190.50 | ..... | ..... | 190.50 |
| Patriotic Purposes— | | | | |
| Memorial Day and Other celebra- tions | 35.00 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... |
| Public Service Enterprises— | | | | |
| Cemeteries | 35.00 | 35.00 | ..... | ..... |
| <i>Interest:</i> | | | | |
| On temporary loans ..... | ..... | 60.00 | 60.00 | ..... |
| <i>Outlay for New Construction and Per- manent Improvements:</i> | | | | |
| Highways and Bridges— | | | | |
| Town construction | 919.60 | 1,000.00 | 80.40 | ..... |
| Trunk Line construction: | | | | |
| State's contribution | 729.99 | 313.80 | ..... | 416.19 |
| Town's contribution | 1,552.47 | 523.50 | ..... | 1,028.97 |
| <i>Indebtedness:</i> | | | | |
| Payments on Principal of Debt— | | | | |
| Bonds ..... | ..... | 600.00 | ..... | ..... |
| <i>Payments to Other Governmental Di- visions:</i> | | | | |
| State taxes | 1,606.00 | 1,606.00 | ..... | ..... |
| County taxes | 566.54 | 566.54 | ..... | ..... |
| Payments to School Districts | 2,600.00 | 2,200.00 | ..... | 400.00 |
| From Stevens (interest) ..... | ..... | 471.25 | 471.25 | ..... |
| From Boynton (interest) ..... | ..... | 530.00 | 530.00 | ..... |
| Dog license ..... | ..... | 82.80 | 82.80 | ..... |
| Due from 1919—schools ..... | ..... | 700.94 | 700.94 | ..... |
| Total expenditures | \$9,962.79 | \$10,519.29 | \$2,500.70 | \$2,543.20 |

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT.

Estimated Expenditures for the School Year, Sept. 1, 1920
to Sept. 1, 1921, and Recommendations of sum to be
assessed for the support of Schools.

I. Budget (School Money).

Cost of Instruction:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Teachers' salaries | \$2,500.00 |
| Text-books | 60.00 |
| Scholars' supplies | 90.00 |
| Other expenses of instruction..... | 10.00 |

For operation and maintenance of school
plant:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| Janitor service | 75.00 |
| Fuel | 150.00 |
| Janitor's supplies | 30.00 |
| Minor repairs and expenses..... | 50.00 |
| Flags and appurtenances | 10.00 |

For auxiliary agencies and special activi-
ties:

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Medical inspection | 25.00 |
| Transportation of pupils | 1,000.00 |
| Other special activities | 15.00 |

| | |
|---|------------|
| Total amount required for above items. | \$4,015.00 |
| Estimate of a \$5 tax on the 1920 inventory | 1,725.00 |

Estimate of local fund, including

| | |
|---|------------|
| dog tax | \$1,100.00 |
| High school tuitions | 150.00 |
| Balance of local funds which may be applied for support of ele- mentary schools | 950.00 |
| Estimate of State Aid..... | 1,340.00 |

II. Requirements to Meet Budget.

| | |
|---|------------|
| For support of elementary schools (a \$5 tax on the 1920 inventory)..... | \$1,725.00 |
|---|------------|

III. School Board Report of Assessment Required.

| | |
|--|------------|
| For the support of schools and the purchase of required books, supplies, and flags | \$1,725.00 |
| Expenses of Administration: | |
| Salaries of district officers | 86.50 |
| Superintendent's excess salary | 48.00 |
| Truant officers and school census | 10.00 |
| Other expenses of administration..... | 40.00 |
| For state-wide supervision tax (\$2 per capita) | 100.00 |
| Alterations of old buildings..... | 200.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$2,209.50 |

To the School Board of Mason:

I herewith submit my first annual report as superintendent of your schools.

Schools opened this year with an entirely new corps of teachers. Miss Anna Grady, a Bridgewater Normal school graduate, has the grammar grades; Miss Bertha Blood, a teacher of long experience, the primary grades, and Mrs. Alice Wright, another experienced teacher, is at No. 6. I think you have been fortunate in your choice of teachers, and consider the work they are doing of standard grade.

Following is a tabular statement of the enrollment by schools and grades for the present year:

| GRADES. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Miss Bertha Blood | 8 | 4 | .. | 4 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| Miss Anna Grady | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2 | 4 | 3 | 3 |
| Mrs. Alice Wright | 6 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | .. | .. | .. |
| | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Totals (43) | 14 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 3 |

While the record of attendance at Mrs. Wright's school has been very good, yet the attendance at the village school

has been rather poor, particularly during the winter months when the attendance for January in Miss Blood's school fell to 75%. It is needless for me to call attention to the fact that poor attendance means failure to keep up to grade, and is a constant drag to those who attend regularly. The law provides that children shall attend school regularly unless detained at home for some very good reason, such as sickness. I trust, therefore, that this suggestion for better attendance will meet with the hearty approval of the townspeople, and that all will co-operate in securing a better attendance for the balance of the year.

I am not certain also that the practice of sending children to school at the age of five, or before they are old enough to attend through the winter term, has much merit. Children, who are out nearly one-half the time are almost certain not to be promoted to the second grade.

A few changes have been made this year in the program of studies with the idea of gradually changing over to the system for elementary and Junior high schools, as adopted by the State Board of Education. I feel, however, that the transition period will necessarily be a long one. For the most part I find that pupils at present need greater stress laid on the fundamentals, such as arithmetic, grammar, and geography. It is not to be supposed, however, that even with the introduction of the Junior high school subjects in the seventh and eighth grades, is practice in the basic subjects to be given up. There will still be drill work in grammar and the putting into practice of principles drilled on in the fifth and sixth grades. The mathematics will be of a more practical nature, including problems of the farm, practical measurements, and the keeping of garden accounts. It is expected also that plenty of practice will be furnished in the subjects drilled on in the earlier grades.

Elementary science, a subject in which boys and girls make interesting observations and interpretations of the every-day laws of nature, will also be a part of the Junior high school curriculum. It is also my desire that the boys have some

practice in carpentry provided some practical carpenter can be found who will come in once or twice a week to assist in the work. The proper handling of tools, how to care for them, and how to sharpen them, are lessons well worth learning by any boy.

The course in history has been enriched in the fifth and sixth grades by the addition of books, with the stories of the Greeks and Romans; also supplementary reading books for the fourth grade on Colonial and pioneer days in America.

New basic readers and several supplementary readers have recently been purchased for the first three grades. This purchase was necessary to meet the requirements in reading called for in an approved elementary school. I have found the reading in the intermediate grades excellent and the native ability of the children in general above the average.

May I take this opportunity to discuss very briefly the new educational bill, particularly in respect to the amount of money which it is necessary to raise in the support of its elementary schools. The law provides that any town which raises in support of its elementary schools a \$5 tax on every \$1000 of the ratable estate is entitled to state aid and that any deficiencies above the sum will be made up from the state fund. A glance at the budget in the School Board report shows that the estimated amount required for support of the elementary schools is \$4,015, while the estimate of a \$5 tax on the 1920 inventory is \$1,725. After deducting the amount of the local funds from the total it leaves a balance of \$1,340 to be paid by the state. It will be noted also that such items as "Expense of Administration," "The \$2 per capita tax for state-wide supervision," and "Alterations of buildings," must be raised in addition to the \$5 tax.

The State Board of Education has set up minimum requirements for the approval of school buildings. The building in the village does not meet these requirements in respect to the lighting. No windows are permitted in the front of a school room because of the injurious effects on pupils' eyes. Therefore, it will be necessary to close up one window, and make provision for more window space on the side.

Just now the shortage of teachers in New Hampshire and the need for bigger salaries is a most vital one. Many of our best teachers have left the profession during the past year to take up more lucrative work. Also because of the low salaries paid teachers in comparison with the wages received by girls in other occupations; fewer and fewer of the better type of girls are being attracted to our normal schools. We need women of superior ability to teach our children. We can meet the present emergency only by increasing materially the salaries of teachers. Therefore, let us support heartily the movement for higher salaries.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the cordial spirit of co-operation shown by the School Board, teachers, and citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

R. P. CURRIER,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

For school year from Sept. 1, 1918, to Aug. 31, 1919.

PAID FOR INSTRUCTION.

Fall.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Francena Towle, 12 weeks at \$17 per week..... | \$204.00 |
| Gertrude Phillips, 12 weeks at \$14 per week..... | 168.00 |
| Francena Towle, expenses during quarantine.... | 24.00 |
| Gertrude Phillips, expenses during quarantine... | 24.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$420.00 |

Winter.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Francena Towle, 12 weeks at \$17 per week..... | \$204.00 |
| Gertrude Phillips, 12 weeks at \$14 per week..... | 168.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$372.00 |

Spring.

| | |
|---|------------|
| Francena Towle, 12 weeks at \$17 per week..... | \$204.00 |
| Gertrude Phillips, 12 weeks at \$14 per week..... | 168.00 |
| Frances Brown, 11 weeks at \$12 per week..... | 132.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$504.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$1,296.00 |

HIGH SCHOOL.

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Town of Townsend, Mass. | \$226.25 |
|------------------------------|----------|

TRANSPORTATION

| | |
|---|------------|
| John Wiiek, $13\frac{4}{5}$ weeks at \$15..... | \$207.00 |
| John Kivimaki, $34\frac{4}{5}$ weeks at \$6.25..... | 217.50 |
| Charles L. Barnes, $22\frac{2}{5}$ weeks at \$5.50..... | 123.20 |
| August Helsten, $9\frac{3}{5}$ weeks at \$15..... | 144.00 |
| Albert B. Eaton, $35\frac{1}{5}$ weeks at \$6.25..... | 220.00 |
| Fred E. Jackson, 6 weeks at \$8.50..... | 51.00 |
| S. H. Davis, $5\frac{1}{5}$ weeks at \$8.50..... | 44.20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,006.90 |

CARE OF HOUSES.

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| James W. Wharff | \$72.00 |
| Henry Whitaker | 4.50 |
| A. B. Eaton at No. 2 | 2.00 |
| John T. Smith, labor at No. 1..... | 1.00 |
| A. B. Eaton, labor at No. 6..... | 2.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$81.50 |

REPAIRS.

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| E. S. Kennedy at Center | \$5.25 |
| John T. Smith at Center | 23.22 |

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Tracey A. Eaton at Center | \$32.31 |
| Henry Farrar, funnel | 1.50 |
| O. D. Prescott, supplies | 2.40 |
| Webber Lumber Co. | 21.19 |
| Stanley A. Flagg at Center | 36.00 |
| Fitchburg Hardware Co., paint | 10.10 |
| A. B. Eaton at Center | 30.87 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$162.84 |

EXPENSE OF SCHOOL BOARD

| | |
|--|---------|
| Harriett E. Whitaker, expense to Wilton..... | \$2.00 |
| A. B. Eaton: | |
| Expense to Milford | 2.00 |
| Expense to Concord | 7.82 |
| Balance on insurance | .60 |
| To Fitchburg regarding wagon..... | 6.50 |
| Telephone expense | 3.00 |
| John T. Smith: | |
| Expense to Concord | 7.82 |
| Telephone expense | .40 |
| Freight paid | .62 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$30.76 |

BOOKS.

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Silver, Burdett & Co. | \$13.89 |
| American Book Co. | 8.39 |
| Benj. H. Sanborn | .79 |
| Ginn & Co. | 4.50 |
| D. McNetton & Co. | 25.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$52.57 |

SUPPLIES.

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Edward E. Babb & Co. | \$89.43 |
| J. L. Hammett & Co. | 9.70 |

| | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| A. B. Eaton | \$4.17 |
| J. W. Wharff | 5.90 |
| C. H. Hartshorn | 1.55 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$110.75 |

FUEL.

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| A. B. Eaton, 101½ cords wood | \$75.00 |
| John A. Elliott, wood | 4.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$79.00 |

MEDICAL INSPECTION

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| H. D. Pease, M. D. | \$25.00 |
|-------------------------|---------|

ENUMERATION.

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| A. B. Eaton | \$4.00 |
|-------------------|--------|

DISTRICT OFFICERS.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Fred W. Hill, auditor | \$1.50 |
| S. H. Davis, truant officer | 4.00 |
| John T. Smith | 25.00 |
| Harriett E. Whitaker | 25.00 |
| Albert B. Eaton | 25.00 |
| C. G. Amsden | 10.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$90.50 |

MISCELLANEOUS.

| | |
|---|--------|
| Fitchburg Hardware Co., floor oil..... | \$3.50 |
| H. E. Whitaker, drawing lumber..... | 1.75 |
| Alice Creighton, cleaning | 3.00 |
| Edson C. Eastman | 3.06 |
| Guy Washburn, sawing wood..... | 3.50 |
| James W. Wharff, janitor's supplies | 3.01 |
| A. B. Eaton, cash paid and supplies..... | 13.29 |

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| C. G. Amsden, postage | \$2.62 |
| James F. March, sanitary work..... | 1.00 |

\$34.73

INSURANCE.

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| J. C. Taft, insurance | \$72.00 |
|-----------------------------|---------|

SCHOOL WAGON.

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| M. C. Larkin | \$40.00 |
| C. A. Cloutier, repairs | 3.80 |

\$43.80

RECAPITULATION.

Paid for—

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Instruction | \$1,296.00 |
| High school tuition | 226.25 |
| Transportation | 1,006.90 |
| Insurance | 72.00 |
| Care of houses | 81.50 |
| Repairs | 162.84 |
| Expense of School Board | 30.76 |
| School wagon | 43.80 |
| Books | 52.51 |
| Supplies | 110.75 |
| Fuel | 79.00 |
| Medical inspection | 25.00 |
| Enumeration of scholars | 4.00 |
| District officers' salary | 90.50 |
| Miscellaneous | 34.73 |

\$3,316.60

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. SMITH,
HARRIETT E. WHITAKER,
ALBERT B. EATON,

School Board of Mason.

SUMMARY OF SCHOOL EXPENSES

From September 1, 1919 to January 31, 1920.

Paid for—

| | |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Instruction | \$969.00 |
| Transportation | 500.20 |
| Books | 23.27 |
| Supplies | 46.88 |
| Fuel | 17.00 |
| Janitor, etc. | 34.00 |
| Officers' salaries | 85.00 |
| Administration expense..... | 62.60 |
| Repairs | 8.75 |
| Miscellaneous expenses | 6.90 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,753.60 |

SALARIES OF TEACHERS.

At Center—

Miss Anna Grady is paid \$18 per week.

Miss Bertha L. Blood is paid \$18 per week.

At No. 6—

Mrs. Alice Wright is paid \$15 per week.

COST OF TRANSPORTATION.

Fred E. Jackson is paid \$9 per week.

A. G. Sargent is paid \$10 per week.

A. B. Eaton is paid \$9 per week.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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| Amount on hand August 31, 1918..... | \$365.00 |
| Received from selectmen | 3,072.09 |
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| | \$3,437.09 |
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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Paid out on 135 orders | \$3,316.60 |
| Cash on hand August 31, 1919..... | 120.47 |
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| | \$3,437.07 |

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE F. AMSDEN,

District Treasurer.

Having examined the amounts of School Board District Treasurer I find them to be correctly cast and proper vouchers.

F. W. HILL,

Auditor

Mason, N. H., Feb. 11, 1920.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Mason, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

| Date of Birth | Name of Child | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother | Birthplace of Father | Birthplace of Mother |
|---------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| June 14 | Eino..... | August Helsten..... | Hannah Beuranen..... | Finland..... | Finland.. |
| July 9 | Conray Hall..... | Conray G. Wharff..... | Mildred A. Hamblett..... | Baldwinsville, Mass.... | Washington, D. C. |
| July 17 | Vernon Marcrau..... | Lester J. Farquhar..... | Mary Anna Marcrau..... | Leominster, Mass. | Fitchburg, Mass. |
| Aug. 16 | Gladys Ruth..... | John H. Elliott..... | Doris E. Elliott..... | Mason..... | Mason. |

Marriages Registered in the Town of Mason, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

| Date | Place of Marriage | Name of Groom and Bride | Age | Place of Birth | Name of Parents | Birthplace of Parents | By Whom Married |
|-------|-------------------|---|----------|---------------------------------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| May | 5 Greenville | Orvan A. Elliott..... Mrs. Emma Geary..... | 30 37 | Mason..... New Ipswich..... | Vivaldo A. Elliott... Isabelle Robbins.... William Winship.... Minnie Hodgman.... | Mason..... Brookline..... New Ipswich..... New Ipswich..... | Robert W. Dunbar Clergyman |
| Sept. | 1 Concord... | Charles E. Tarbell..... Mary M. Edmunds..... | 31 30 | Townsend, Mass.. Cornwall, Eng.... | James B. Tarbell.... Angeline Elliott.... William J. Edmunds. Adelina Palgreave.. | New Durham..... Mason..... Cornwall, Eng..... Cornwall, Eng..... | Thomas H. Stacy Clergyman |
| Dec. | 23 Mason..... | Charles Beck..... Mary Seaver | 21 22 | Boston, Mass..... Winchendon, Mass | John Beck..... Jane Siggins..... Edward Seaver..... Julia McDonald..... | ..... ..... ..... ..... | Charles B. Goodwin Notary Public |

Deaths Registered in the Town of Mason, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

| Date | Place of Death | Name of Deceased | Age | | | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother | Birthplace of Father | Birthplace of Mother |
|----------|-------------------|---------------------------|------|------|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| | | | Yrs. | Mos. | Dys. | | | | |
| Jan. 4 | Mason..... | John Matthews..... | 82 | 9 | .. | Eliab Fiagg..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| March 27 | Mason..... | Albert D. Fiagg..... | .. | .. | .. | Christian Mackie..... | Mary Jacobson..... | Finland..... | Sweden |
| June 19 | Mason..... | Eli Ralph Mackie..... | 22 | 6 | 7 | Elmer C. Melvin..... | Dora B. Elliott..... | Manchester..... | Mason |
| July 11 | Mason..... | Lewis Vivaldo Melvin..... | 2 | 10 | .. | Thomas Jackson..... | Anna R. Blood..... | Philadelphia..... | Mason |
| Oct. 13 | Fitchburg, Mass.. | William H. Jackson..... | 53 | 1 | 3 | George C. Amsden..... | Lira Wetherbee..... | Mason..... | Townsend, Mass. |
| Nov. 8 | Mason..... | Charles G. Amsden..... | 77 | 5 | 9 | John Mackie..... | Anna Hardrickson..... | Finland..... | Finland |
| Nov. 12 | Mason..... | Christian Mackie..... | 64 | .. | .. | | | | |

BROUGHT TO MASON FOR BURIAL

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| May 7 | Benjamin A. Elliott, from Greenville; age, 77 years, 6 months, 26 days. Brought here and buried July 12, 1919. |
| July 15 | Corä Frances Fiagg, from Wrentham, Mass.; age, 19 years, 3 months, 3 days. Brought here and buried July 18, 1919. |
| Sept. 11 | Mary F. Scripture, from Teneck, N. J.; age, 80 years. Brought here and buried Sept. 13, 1919. |
| Sept. 16 | Thomas G. Cumnock, from Boston, Mass.; age, 76 years, 9 months, 7 days. Brought here and buried Sept. 18, 1919. |

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NELLIE F. AMSDEN, Town Clerk.

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